AN ACT TO REVISE THE FINANCIAL PROCEDURES ACT

Short Title: FPA Revisions Act

Primary Sponsor: Jared Dobbertin, Belk, Organizational Ways & Means Chairman

Secondary Sponsor(s):

First Reading:

Referred To: OWAM

Passage:

Enacted:

Whereas, The FPA is in need of updates due to the recent SAFC meeting;

Whereas, These changes are to take effect immediately in order to be implemented for the spring semester;

Therefore, be it resolved by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte:

SECTION I: The FPA is to read:

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SECTION 1. Definitions
§8-1.1. Definitions.
Within this Act, the following definitions shall apply:
(p) A giveaway shall be defined as: an item in which a student receives and does not participate in the creation of or interaction with.

SECTION 2. Types of Funding
§8-1.2. Grants Overview.
(c) Grants will not be accepted if filled out using an out-of-date version of the grant application.
(j) From the time a grant is submitted until 5pm on Tuesday, groups may withdraw their grant without penalty for any reason and may resubmit for a following week.
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(m) Groups will have the opportunity to resubmit their grant one additional time if the grant is denied as long as it is still within the funding period.

SECTION 4. Budgeting and Procedures
§8-1.11. Budget Percentages.
No one student organization shall be permitted to spend more than five percent of the overall budget allocated by SAFC per fiscal year.
§8-1.12. Spending Restrictions.
(u) Induction Ceremonies
(v) Banquets
(w) Recruitment Events
§8-1.13. Guidelines for Accessing and Using Funds.

ARTICLE II. COMMITTEE OPERATIONS
SECTION 1. Establishment
§8-2.5. Organizational Funding Hearings.
(b) If the group chooses to have a hearing, a member from the applying organization is required to attend and present during the hearing. Failure to have a member from the applying organization attend the hearing will result in automatic denial of the funding request. Advisors are permitted to sit in on hearings; however, they may not speak unless otherwise specified or recognized by the Chair, and may not be the sole representative for their group during the hearing.

ARTICLE III. THE OPERATIONAL FUND
SECTION 1. Overview
§8-3.1. Budgeting.
(f) This information is to be tracked by the Administrative Assistant and reported to the Treasurer.
SECTION 2. Process
§8-3.3. Application.
(b) Student organizations may apply no more than once per month.

ARTICLE IV. EVENT GRANTS
SECTION 1. Overview
§8-4.2. Eligibility.
(d) Organizations may not request Event grants for recruitment events.
SECTION 2. Process
§8-4.3. Application and Approval.
(a) A maximum of $2,500 can be allotted per on-campus event.

SECTION 3. Line Items
§8-4.5. Printing.
(c) Proof of cost for all printing must be submitted.
§8-4.6. Advertising.
(d) All event grants, whether funding is being asked for advertising or not, must show proof of advertising for the event to receive funding.
§8-4.7. Equipment and Technicians.
(c) Information required for grant applications are as follows: quotes and pricing from the University offices, the number of technicians and hours needed, equipment necessary to the success of the event, and proof of cost.

§8-4.8. Program Supplies.
(b) Program supplies must be kept and maintained by the applying organization and may not be given away, sold, or destroyed. If financed items are deemed to be reusable the items must be relinquished to the SAFC storage area. If SAFC has the item being applied for, the organization must use those items rather than purchase their own.
(d) Parking vouchers may be applied for under this line item. In order to be considered by the Committee parking vouchers will require the name of the person receiving the voucher. Current UNC Charlotte students may not receive parking vouchers through Event Grants.

§8-4.9. Food and Beverage.
(d) Organizations are only eligible to receive food for two events per semester, and may not exceed half of the cap set for event grant funding.

§8-4.12. Off-Campus Events.
(a) Off-Campus Events are permitted when there is no appropriate venue on campus for the nature of the event and is in line with the mission of that particular student organization.

(c) A maximum of $4,000 may be given for each co-sponsored event grant.
(e) Organizations may request one co-sponsored event grant per semester.

ARTICLE V. TRAVEL GRANTS
SECTION 1. Overview
§8-5.2. Eligibility.
(c) Organizations may only be eligible to receive funding for the following types of travel: competitions or conferences.

SECTION 2. Process
§8-5.3. Application.
(a) A maximum of $1,500.00 can be allotted per single organization each fiscal year.
(b) Each individual student on the applying grant is eligible for up to $200.00 in travel monies.
(c) Each individual student on the applying grant is eligible for up to $400.00 if they are presenting or competing at their conference with proof of presentation or competition.
(d) A maximum of $1,000 may be allotted per travel grant.

§8-5.4. Approval.

ARTICLE VII. ORGANIZATIONAL & COMMITTEE ACCOUNTABILITY & RESPONSIBILITY
§8-7.3. Process.
(c) At the passage of this motion, a member shall present and provide evidence and take questions from Committee members concerning the alleged offense.
(d) The Committee will then vote and determine if the organization is responsible. If the organization is found responsible, the Committee shall assess an appropriate penalty to the
organization and inform the organization and all advisors, and the Student Senate of the proceedings, evidence, decision, and penalty by the next full Senate meeting.

§8-7.4. Penalties.
Possible penalties in order of severity are as follows:
(a) Organization is not approved for any funding for the grant in question;
(d) Organization not eligible for funding for remainder of the semester;

§8-7.6. Appeals.
(a) Any penalty levied against a student organization may be appealed to the President Pro-Tempore in writing (or via email) by the next committee meeting.
(d) The assembly will vote on whether the appeal will be granted, amended or not granted by simple majority vote.
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Mandates:
Dr. Arthur R. Jackson, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
Christine Davis, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
Karen Shaffer, Assistant Vice Chancellor and Director of Student Activities
Adam Burden, Advisor to the Senate
Andrew James, Press Secretary
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I hereby certify that this legislation was considered and adopted by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina in accordance with the Constitution of the Student Body and the By-Laws of the Student Senate on this ______ day of __________________.

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John Daley
President Pro Tempore

I hereby signify my approval of this legislation as adopted by the Student Senate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, this ____ day of______________, _________.

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Steven Serio
President of the Student Body